

27th March 1929]

A.—(a) Two hundred and ten students have received training in weaving in the Textile Institute and during the last ten years twelve have had training in carpet weaving in the School of Arts and Crafts.

(b) Forty-nine in the Textile Institute and two in the School of Arts and Crafts in carpet weaving.

### Veterinary

#### *Attacks by rinderpest in the Presidency.*

\* 1931 Q.—Dr. B. S. MALLAYYA : Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(a) the number of districts affected by rinderpest in January this year ;

(b) how many cattle were attacked by rinderpest last year and how many died ; and

(c) how many were inoculated by serum alone method and how many by serum simultaneous method ?

A.—(a) Twenty-three.

(b) & (c) A statement giving the information for the last calendar year is appended.<sup>a</sup> The serum simultaneous method was resorted to on a more extensive scale only during the latter part of the year.

Dr. B. S. MALLAYYA :—“ May I know, Sir, why the serum alone method was persisted in when it was known that it was of no use ? ”

The hon. Mr. M. R. SETURATNAM AYYAR :—“ It was only after the last grant that the serum simultaneous method has been used on a large scale. Before that serum alone method only was used.”

Dr. B. S. MALLAYYA :—“ May I know whether the Government have seen the recommendations of the Royal Agricultural Commission wherein it is said that the serum alone method is not good ? If so, what action are they going to take on that recommendation ? ”

The hon. Mr. M. R. SETURATNAM AYYAR :—“ The Government are already taking action on those recommendations, Sir.”

### Excise

#### *Progress made towards prohibition in the Presidency.*

\* 1932 Q.—Mr. J. A. SALDANHA : Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Health Officers (District and Municipal) have been instructed to lecture on the advantages of (1) total abstinence, (2) moderate drinking ;

(b) what other scheme of total abstinence and temperance campaign Government have already sanctioned and have in view ;

(c) in what districts or taluks or parts of taluks total prohibition has been introduced and in regard to what kind of drinks ;